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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with AECASSOWARY/2

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1. A scheduled meeting was held with AECASSOWARY/2 on 21 December from 1000 to 1600 hours. Present were the undersigned and, for a part of the time, [ ] . The following subjects were discussed:

2. AECASSOWARY/2 was first given a schedule of international events for 1960 at which Soviet participants could be expected. Several of these events are discussed in an operational context below.

3. Name check and clearance on Anatol KAMINSKY, expected to arrive in the United States on 4 January, are being run. (KAMINSKY is the foremost candidate for the job of AECASSOWARY/1 operations chief in Europe.) Consequently, AECASSOWARY/2 was asked to compare physical characteristics of a trace subject with those of KAMINSKY. It was ascertained that the two could not be identical.

4. AECASSOWARY/2 produced a pro-Soviet letter dispatched from Stanislav Oblast (the third recently received from this area) in response to recently mailed copies of the INFORMATION BULLETIN. It is interesting to note that a shortened form of one of the previous letters was included in the November issue of the Ukrainian-language "Return to the Homeland". The title of the article, as well as the text, makes free use of AECASSOWARY/1's name, and the article is directed at the organization specifically. This may be regarded as a good indication that the INFORMATION BULLETIN is reaching the target audience and, in effecting such a response, it must be having considerable effect. A copy of the afore-mentioned newspaper, "Return to the Homeland", is attached.

5. AECASSOWARY/2 again requested information on Ukrainians in Canada and the United States who are receiving the Ukrainian-language "Return to the Homeland" in order that the effect of the "Homeland" can be countered with the INFORMATION BULLETIN and other AECASSOWARY/1 publications. It was explained to AECASSOWARY/2 that it would be difficult, if not impossible, for us to provide this information, and that AECASSOWARY/1 might well have better sources within the emigration to obtain the names.

6. AECASSOWARY/2 recently received a letter (through a Canadian letter-drop) from the wife of a former teacher, ZARETSKY. ZARETSKY's daughter is currently imprisoned in Siberia, and the family is known to be

strongly nationalistic and anti-communist. Stefan OLYNYK visited the ZARETSKY's during his recent trip to the Ukraine at AECASSOWARY/2's request. ZARETSKY's wife did not seem to accept OLYNYK for what he was, and the meeting had no results. AECASSOWARY/2 thought it interesting that Mrs. ZARETSKY mentioned nothing about OLYNYK's visit in her last letter.

7. AECASSOWARY/2 reminded us that the VERIOVKA ensemble will be in Canada in 1960. Discussion of contact plans was put off until a later date, pending a decision on the employment of AECASSOWARY/15 as operations chief in this area. ~~The problem of operating in Canada with or without Canadian citizens will take some discussion.~~

8. It had been AECASSOWARY/2's intention to discuss further with AECASSOWARY/15 the latter's employment by AECASSOWARY/1 as operations officer. However, AECASSOWARY/15 was called out of town on a personal emergency at the last minute, and so the two were unable to meet. Nevertheless, on the basis of correspondence, AECASSOWARY/2 feels certain that AECASSOWARY/15 will accept the proposition. The question of AECASSOWARY/15's salary was discussed, and in this connection AECASSOWARY/2 produced at our request a salary schedule. In addition to AECASSOWARY/2's salary, which is something over \$8,000 per year, the following salaries are paid in the Prolog Office: AECASSOWARY/2's deputy receives \$7,260 per year. The four ranking employees of the office receive \$6,270 per year; a clerk-typist receives \$3,960, but has the benefit of living in the office. A part-time employee who practices law is paid \$3,000; another part-time employee receives \$1,200 per year. In addition Prolog has employed two young men from the academic world during the summer time at a yearly rate of \$4,800. Correspondents abroad receive various sums for services rendered, including contact operations, mailing, etc.

9. [ ] joined AECASSOWARY/2 and the undersigned for lunch and discussed briefly our desire to obtain REDSKIN candidates in Europe through AECASSOWARY/1 spotting. He also mentioned the possibility of AECASSOWARY/2 sponsoring publication of an article on Bandera in the "Saturday Evening Post" or a similar magazine. He suggested that if AECASSOWARY/2 could have such an article written, a name ghost-writer could perhaps be found to sign it. The purpose of the article would ~~standarily~~ ~~primarily~~ be to inform the public on the subject of nationalistic tensions within the USSR.

10. AECASSOWARY/2 produced the first examples of personalia on various contacts throughout the world in response to the requirement levied on him at our last meeting. On the basis of this information and personal assessment by AECASSOWARY/2 and/or one of his operations chiefs, we eventually hope to evolve a system of local representatives who will act as spotters and support agents--the local eyes and ears of the appropriate AECASSOWARY/1 operations chief.

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11. The summer Olympics in Rome in 1960 was briefly mentioned. AECASSOWARY/2 expects that perhaps forty percent of the Soviet athletes will be Ukrainians and that large numbers of Ukrainian tourists as well as other Soviets will be expected to attend the Olympics. However, detailed discussions were postponed pending reorganization of AECASSOWARY/1's operations in Europe by a principal agent, e.g., Anatol KAMINSKY. It was also mentioned by AECASSOWARY/2 that contacts within the Vatican might provide some support for AECASSOWARY/2's operations.

12. AECASSOWARY/2 requested any available information of the schedule of the GRUZYA in 1960. This will be checked.

13. AECASSOWARY/2 reported that Bohdan SKOBOVYCH, in whom Lee Sandel was interested, had moved to Westeros, 100 kilometers from Stockholm. He asked whether AECASSOWARY/27 should still write an introductory letter, as requested by Lee. A prompt reply was promised. (Cable sent to Lee 22 Dec.)

14. At this point AECASSOWARY/2 produced some highly interesting information pertinent to contact operations in Europe next summer. There will be a congress of historians in Stockholm in August of 1960. AECASSOWARY/2 maintains that there will be large delegation present from the USSR, including the Ukraine. A Professor HOLOBLYN, who lives near Trenton, N. J., and is an AECASSOWARY/1 sympathizer, plans to attend the congress. HOLOBLYN was formerly Chairman of the Ukrainian Academy of Science and therefore extremely well-known in intellectual circles. Professor Mykola CHUBATY, an historian and editor of the Ukrainian Quarterly in New York for about 15 years, also would like to go. CHUBATY met with Soviet historians at a similar congress in Rome in 1955. Jaroslav PELENSKI, one of the summer-time AECASSOWARY/1 staff and a lecturer in history at a small New York college intends to attend the congress and will spend the summer in Europe. He is willing to place himself at AECASSOWARY/2's disposal during that time if AECASSOWARY/1 will pay part of his expenses. It is AECASSOWARY/2's belief that Professors CHUBATY and HOLOBLYN, furthermore, would agree to collaborate with an AECASSOWARY/1 operations chief such as Anatol KAMINSKY in contact operations, including appropriate introductions, and would provide magnificent entre to an extremely interesting group of Soviet academicians with high-level contacts. CHUBATY and HOLOBLYN's travel expense will be paid for by the project.

15. Another interesting event from an operational point of view is the law congress which takes place in Hamburg in July. Again, Ukrainian law specialists will certainly attend. AECASSOWARY/2 proposed that we consider the possibility of sponsoring a trip to Hamburg for Professor HALICHUK, who is currently teaching at a Catholic university in Buenos Aires.

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HALICHUK is an internationally known theoretician on the subject of international law and could be expected to be asked to produce a paper to be read at the congress if he were to make application to attend. As in the case of the three individuals mentioned above, AECASSOWARY/2 feels sure that HALICHUK would be glad to collaborate with an AECASSOWARY/1 operator. AECASSOWARY/2 asked that a decision as to our interest be made shortly in order to obtain invitations for the specified people. In the case of HALICHUK, who is very poor, complete sponsorship would be necessary. On the other hand this would provide a good control mechanism for AECASSOWARY/2's operator. Name checks are being initiated on the agent candidates, and, assuming acceptable results, the undersigned enthusiastically endorses AECASSOWARY/2's suggestions. *The question of the FI and PP talents of the man plus training will also be carefully studied.*

16. AECASSOWARY/2 asked that a decision be reached shortly as to whether we wish to send Stefan OLYNYK back to the Ukraine on a REDSKIN mission this summer, and if so, who should handle the operation--he or we. He was promised an answer promptly. *(It is doubtful that any reply can be made prior to LCFLUTTER and psychological tests.)*

17. Apart from the above, we are currently examining the records of AECASSOWARY/15 with a view to determining what steps should be taken prior to formalizing his employment by AECASSOWARY/1. He underwent an LCFLUTTER examination about a year ago, and a repeat is not recommended so soon. A physical examination is in order and will be arranged.

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P.S. Suggest Webster-Bellevue and perhaps other personality tests for AEGASS/15.

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